

December 28, 2018

Via ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: NOTICE OF EX PARTE

WT Docket No. 10-208: Universal Service Reform – Mobility Fund WC Docket No. 10-90; Connect America Fund

Dear Ms. Dortch,

The Rural Wireless Association ("RWA") writes in response to the December 14, 2018 *ex parte* letter submitted by T-Mobile USA, Inc. ("T-Mobile") in the above-captioned proceedings. T-Mobile takes issue with statements in RWA's December 10, 2018 *ex parte* letter summarizing RWA's meetings with FCC commissioners and staff in which RWA representatives characterized T-Mobile's coverage data submitted to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission") as part of the one-time data collection for the Mobility Fund Phase II reverse auction process. RWA representatives expressed concerns about T-Mobile's "overstated coverage" and indicated that these concerns were borne out by challenge process data. T-Mobile complains that these statements are: (1) "vague and irresponsible;" (2) "unsupported by any evidence;" and (3) "patently false." Each of T-Mobile's assertions is untrue. Evidence supporting RWA's statements was submitted in an Informal Request for Commission Action ("Informal Request") filed by RWA on December 26, 2018 in the above-captioned proceedings. The Informal Request demonstrates that there is sufficient evidence that T-Mobile overstated the coverage in its data submission to the FCC to warrant FCC investigation.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, this *ex parte* letter is being filed electronically with the Office of the Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

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